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Dear Tom:

My stock of K-12, as well as Clifton's "original" (also the Waksman strain) are all fumarate-positive as tested by streaking out on fumarate agar (.2% as fumaric acid; no-carbon source controls ok). Should we exchange strains? If this holds up, your K-12 should be referred to as a mutant to avoid later confusing repercussions. I'm looking over the ms. and will return it shortly.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg